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FOR: DEVICES AND METHODS OF CONTROLLING MANIPULATION OF VIRTUAL OBJECTS ON A MULTI-CONTACT TACTILE SCREEN

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313 SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 28, 2010, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 13-28, drawn to a method for controlling a computerized device by a multicontact touch screen by applying a processing rule. The election of Claims 13-28 is done *without* traverse. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims, which shall be subject to the third sentence of 35 U.S.C. § 121.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that Claims 13-28 be examined o the merits, and an early and favorable action be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ "A patent issuing on an application with respect to which a requirement for restriction under this section has been made ... shall not be used as a reference ... against a divisional application." See also M.P.E.P. § 804.01.